

CHRIST'S NINTH IN SUFFERINGS

Rev. W. B. Savage Preaches Eloquently to Sweet Girl Graduates.

CHURCH WAS OVERFLOWING

Exercises of Woman's College to Close To-morrow Night in Academy of Music.

Clad in their becoming caps and gowns, the graduating class of the Woman's College presented a pretty sight last night as they filed into the Second Baptist Church to hear the baccalaureate sermon preached by Rev. W. B. Savage, of Churchland, Va.

The class of 1906 was headed by the corps of teachers who had guided them along that road which a certain philosopher described as being far removed from royalty, and behind them and around them swept the girls of the other classes, to be heard from in other years. To them all was given the middle section of pews and the rows on either side were filled with alumnae and by the friends and admirers of the institution.

The auditorium was crowded from front to rear, and every available seat had its occupant. Many were forced to stand around the walls and at the rear and in the doors of the building, anywhere so that they might catch the words of the speaker. The teachers occupied the first two rows; behind them in three pews sat the black gown graduates, dignified and alert in the knowledge they had gained in four hard years of study, and in the rear of them were seated the remaining number of the most studious of the college.

On the rostrum sat Dr. Nelson, president of the institution, who introduced the speaker. The services were greatly enhanced by the singing of the choir, who rendered with fine effect Nicola's "Te Deum," "The Lord's Prayer," and "Praise the Lord On My Soul," by Royce.

Christ's Sufferings.

After the singing of the opening hymn and prayer, Dr. Nelson arose to thank the congregation for the use of the church on this occasion, and then, in a few graceful terms, introduced the speaker, Rev. W. B. Savage.

Dr. Savage took his text from the First Epistle of Peter, second chapter, twenty-first verse: "Christ also suffered for us, leaving you an example that ye should follow His steps." Dr. Savage was earnest and eloquent in his address, relating during the course of his remarks many incidents that captivated the attention of the vast audience.

Dr. Savage taught that Christ came not only to set an example for His followers—but to be an exemplar—which in itself, the speaker said, would have resulted in failure. His ministry on earth was far wider and of deeper intent; He came to save. Dr. Savage held that man cannot be lifted up and made to do right by example alone. Yet an example of the right has its purpose, and in Christ is found a perfect example, one of whom Pilate said: "There is no fault in Him." And the speaker charged his hearers that they follow no meaner model. But the real motive of Christ's sufferings lay in their substitutionary and expiatory character, and in their power they give men to follow the example He set. The first purpose conveyed was in setting an example; the second, and chief, was that there might be a motive and power to follow the example.

The exercises closed by prayer from Rev. J. William Jones, D. D., and with a rendition from the choir.

The classes of the college will meet to-day; the alumnae will meet together in happy reunions, and the outgoing class of this year will organize. The final exercise will take place to-morrow night in the Academy of Music, where Dr. W. J. Young will deliver the final address, and where the awarding of degrees, diplomas and medals will take place.

RICHMOND COLLEGE FINALS NEXT WEEK

Baccalaureate Sermon to Be Preached by Rev. P. P. Johnson, of New York.

The Richmond College commencement exercises will begin next Sunday with the preaching of the baccalaureate sermon by Rev. Dr. R. P. Johnson, of New York, in the college chapel. On Monday evening at 8:15 o'clock will take place the first day (Friday) of the exercises, and introducing in turn the class orator, prophet and historian.

The annual alumni luncheon will be held on Tuesday at 2 P. M., when reunions of the classes of 1891, 1893, 1895 and 1897 will be the special features of the occasion. On the evening of the same day will be held the installation of former Governor A. J. Montague as dean of the law department. This will be one of the most important features of the whole ceremony, and great interest attaches to it.

The regular graduating exercises will take place on Wednesday, the last evening of the commencement. Diplomas, honorary degrees and medals will then be awarded, and the graduating class will be the largest number of young ladies the college has had since it threw open its doors to the opposite sex. There are six of them in this year's class, and their standing has been of the highest. Principal H. B. Friesell, of Hampton, will make the address to the graduates.

After the exercises the usual reception to the graduates will take place in Library Hall.

Richmond Academy Exercises.

The fourth annual commencement exercises of the Richmond Academy will be held Friday evening, June 3, in the Richmond College chapel. The exercises will commence at half-after 8 o'clock, and the faculty and students of the academy are making arrangements for the large attendance of the graduating class' many friends.

Attempt to Rob Bank.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) ASHLAND, VA., June 3.—An attempt was made on Thursday night to break in the Hanover Bank, which is located on Railroad Street, opposite the depot, but the burglars were frustrated away by two shots fired by Night Watchman Luck.

Wed in Baltimore.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) BALTIMORE, MD., June 3.—A license to marry has been issued by the clerk of the Circuit Court of Montgomery county to Mr. William Louis Lushy, of Washington, and Miss Mabel Irene Elizabeth Joy, of Delvay, Va.

Play Tama Kora at Idlewood.

SHOT WOMAN DOWN IN GOLD BLOOD

Slayer of Annie Mickers Captured in Petersburg and is Locked Up Here.

ATTACK WAS MOST BRUTAL

Because Woman Wanted to Visit Sick Mother James Ward Shot Her.

As a result of the promptness of Chief Werner and the police in issuing telegrams to neighboring cities, on the night that the murder was committed, James Ward, the negro murderer of Annie Mickers, was placed behind the bars at the First Station early yesterday morning. Ward was apprehended in Petersburg, where he has been in hiding for several days. The police over there got their first hint of his whereabouts Saturday night, and Chief Hagland, of Petersburg, phoned to Chief Werner for the detailed description of the man, as he had been located and was ripe for capture. The description was given and tallied in every respect with that of the mullatto in the hands of the police of the decade city. He was brought over early yesterday morning and put behind the bars.

The murder of the woman Mickers was most brutal, say both the police and the surgeons who saw her after the shooting. Ward and the negro were in a room near the corner of Twenty-seventh and P Streets, together with some of their friends. She made known a desire to go to her home to see her sick mother, but the big brute insisted that she spend the night there. She declined, whereupon he pulled out a pistol and shot her in the abdomen, the bullet entering in the front and passing out near the spine in the back.

Died Saturday.

This was near midnight of Wednesday, May 23. A call came for the ambulance shortly after midnight, and record time was made over to Church Hill by Dr. Mason, with Roy Ford on the box. The woman was found suffering extremely, while she was given temporary relief by the surgeon Mr. Ford telephoned for the police, Sergeant Bailey, Officers Cox and Johnson responded in double-quick time, and got a good description of the man from the woman.

She was removed to the City Home, where an ante-mortem statement was taken before Drs. Trevilian, Mason and Jones, prior to an operation. All three performed the operation and found the intestines to be severed completely in three places, besides the other flesh wounds on the body. These ruptures were successfully epiced, and for a time the woman seemed on the road to recovery. Saturday afternoon, however, her condition was in and she died the same afternoon. Coroner Taylor held the inquest over the body.

The outlook appears very dark for the murderer, and nothing less than hanging is looked for by those who know most about the circumstances of the deed.

Ashland Personals.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) ASHLAND, VA., June 3.—The many friends of Dr. W. W. Smith, of the Woman's College at Lynchburg, will be pleased to learn that he has recovered from a recent attack of pneumonia and is reported to-night to be up and walking about the city.

Miss Annie Campbell Laurens and Miss Pearl Bickers, of Nelson county, are visiting Mrs. James Hooftagle.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Lyons, of St. Paul, Minn., who have been sojourning at the Henry Clay Inn here, have returned to their home in the Northwest.

Mrs. Swift will occupy the residence formerly occupied by the Blantons, which was recently purchased by the Chesapeake Bay Hotel.

Mrs. Bruce Bowe, daughter of Mrs. Benj. Milnes, has been visiting her mother at the Henry Clay Inn.

Mr. Reginald Holland, of Cuba, is visiting at the Henry Clay Inn.

Mr. Julian Fox, of New York city, paid a short visit to his mother here last week. Mr. Fox is making rapid advance as a rising young architect in New York.

Mrs. Eliza Burke, mother of Mrs. A. E. Coulter, of Ashland, who has been spending the winter in Atlanta, is spending the summer in Ashland with her daughter.

Mr. E. L. C. Scott, of Ashland, is visiting his mother, Mrs. H. C. Scott, at Virginia Beach.

Miss Helen Nixon, who has been visiting her grandmother, Mrs. H. C. Scott, at Virginia Beach, has returned to Ashland.

Mrs. Richard Cheney entertained a number of young people at her home Friday evening in honor of Miss Mary Coulter and Miss Blanche Cheney.

Mrs. Tate Cheney will leave here next week for Badin City, where she will spend the summer with her sister, Mrs. E. T. Robinson, at the Brandon.

Mrs. Geo. Morris, of Richmond, is visiting Mrs. Gregory in Ashland.

Miss Anna Page, of Cumberland, is visiting Mrs. Gullbert here.

BRIEF ITEMS FROM EVERYWHERE

PHILADELPHIA.—The Maharaja, Gakwar of Baroda, and his Princess and suite left for New York and Boston. He expressed himself, charmed by his visit.

TROY, N. Y.—The condition of former United States Senator Redfield Proctor, who was taken ill on a train, was much improved.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL.—A sufferer from melancholia, Dr. Samuel P. Boardman, was found dead in a reservoir, it being his second attempt at suicide.

WASHINGTON.—Senator Dewey has relinquished the use of his desk in the front row of the Senate and Senator Dick, of Ohio, has moved into the New York Senator's seat.

TOPKKA.—Charlotte Eddy, of worldwide fame as an organist, said here that he had been granted an unconditional decree of divorce from his wife, who is now living in Paris, on the ground of desertion.

JERSEY CITY.—A Pennsylvania Railroad express plunged from a bridge into the Hackensack River near Jersey City. The engineer and fireman leaped into the river and escaped uninjured, as usual of the passengers.

PHILADELPHIA.—In political circles it was asserted that the Republican Organization would not accept Lewis Emery or any of the candidates on the Lincoln party ticket.

TRENTON.—It is announced that ten Addicks members of the Legislature have given pledges to vote for the Democratic United States Senator, thus giving the Regular Republican candidate four more votes than a majority.

PHILADELPHIA.—Charles Birdsell, of Canton, the 84-year-old man who had been missing two weeks, was found dead.

MONUMENT FOR GEN. WHEELER

Oratory to the Confederate Dead Who Are Buried in Arlington.

FLORAL "SOUTHERN CROSS"

Services Under the Auspices of Confederate Association and Daughters.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, June 3.—Several thousand persons to-day visited the National Cemetery at Arlington, where with music and oratory tribute was paid to the Confederate soldiers whose bodies lie at rest beside the soldiers of the North. The exercises were held in the Confederate section of the cemetery, where lie 281 Confederate who died in hospitals and prisons in the vicinity of Washington, and whose bodies were placed there through the act of the late President McKinley.

The services were under the auspices of the two Confederate veteran associations of Washington, the Daughters of the Confederacy and the Southern Relief Society. Music was furnished by the Thirteenth Cavalry Band.

Several Addresses.

Addresses were made by Representative John Sharp Williams, of Mississippi, and Hillary A. Herbert, former Secretary of the Navy. A feature of the exercises was the unveiling of the floral "Southern Cross," by Miss Elizabeth Goetz, the gift of A. J. McLaurin Camp, No. 295, United Confederate Veterans, of the District of Columbia.

An impressive funeral wreath, on which was inscribed the word "Fraternity," the gift of the Confederate societies of the District, was placed on the monument to the unknown Union dead, while a beautiful climax of the day's ceremonies was the decoration of the newly-erected grave of General Joseph Wheeler.

Monument to Wheeler.

It is proposed to erect a monument to the Confederate dead in the section allotted to them, and during his speech Mr. Williams read a letter from Secretary Taft, in which the latter said it would give him great pleasure to accord the Confederates this great right, provided, however, its form, size and inscription to be placed thereon was approved by the proper authorities.

Mr. Williams said he would have an inscription along the lines of "charity toward all, malice toward none." He suggested the following: "Sacred to the memory of our dear Southern boys, who gave to the land they loved, as a perpetual and saving memorial of their devotion to the cause of the civilization of their race, all their God has given them—their lives."

Mr. Herbert spoke in part as follows: "If this war is now more perfect than ever the fathers dreamed of, it is because, first, there are now unsettled questions; and second, because that chiefly because of the courage and devotion they displayed on both sides during the Civil War. These are the reasons why respect, comfort, and illustrations have taken the place of hatred and distrust, and out of the grave in which sectionalism was buried there has arisen the triumphant spirit of Americanism."

"History will decide that those dead comrades of ours were not traitors, and public opinion is even now tending toward that conclusion."

Graves Decorated.

(By Associated Press.) MEMPHIS, TENN., June 3.—Confederate decoration day was impressively observed here to-day. The graves of veterans in the various cemeteries were covered with flowers. Hon. Charles Scott, of Mississippi, delivered an oration at Elm Wood Cemetery.

Memorial Day Observed.

(By Associated Press.) NEW ORLEANS, LA., June 3.—Confederate Memorial Day was observed with the usual ceremonies here. At the Confederate monument in Greenwood Cemetery the veteran organizations assembled and heard an oration by E. Howard McCaleb, Sr. Flowers were placed on the graves of the Confederate dead in the different cemeteries.

Zimmer Under Arrest.

L. A. Zimmer, a white man thirty-three years old, of Hanover, was arrested yesterday by Officers Crump and Matt. Officer Simms, of the county, will be a witness in the case when it comes up for trial.

Mexican Dividend.

(By Associated Press.) MEXICO CITY, June 3.—The National Bank of Mexico has declared an annual dividend of 13 per cent. The National Bank is a private bank, but acted as a fiscal agent for the government. Its annual dividend is always looked upon as an index to business.

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SYDNEY SCHOOL'S FINAL EXERCISES

Only Sweet Girl Graduate on List Evening Friday Saying Good-Bye to Musty Books.

PUPILS RENDER PROGRAMME

Youthful Scholars Spend Joyous But Her Triumphs Many.

The pupils of Sydney high and graded school in the West End, gathered in large numbers with their parents and friends last Friday night to bid farewell to the school and their teachers for the coming months of their vacation. In honor of the occasion, some of the best talent of the school rendered a long programme of recitations and music, and kept the spirit of good feeling on the go for several hours.

"In June," was the title of the first and opening song by the school. It was the first day of that welcome month and the small people attested their appreciation of the fact by the volumes of melody they gave vent to. Tiny Miss Carmin Smith then gave a humorous recitation entitled "On a Main Street Car," which was her own composition, and which was both well-written and well-rendered. A comedietta, "A Bag of Gold," was given by Misses Maggie Dugas, Edna Ledley, Edna Sprinkle and Mary Dillard.

After "Be Careful What You Say," by Doris Hoppe, followed a song by Phillis Moncure, and then a recitation by Christine Moncure. The school joined in singing, "Sleep, Sleep." After a recitation in which six promising youngsters took part, Elizabeth Lipscomb read a recitation entitled, "But, Don't You Tell." "Politeness," was the theme of a dialogue by Annie Frayer, Virginia Goode and Thelma Brock.

Lizzie Stith was the authoress of the particularly pleasing parody entitled "Everybody Works But the Teacher." "Seeing a Ghost," was finely portrayed by Lillie Powell, Lucile Wright and Mabel Barlow, Walter Moss sang "The Harvest Moon," and then followed a recitation by Dorothy Dee and Dolly Jenkins. A dialogue on Africa was rendered by Christie Flournoy, Bessie Campbell and Merle Robinson.

Other Attractive Numbers.

The rest of the lengthy programme is as follows: Recitation, "Which One?"—Virginia Bland. Song by school—"Birdie's Ball."

"The Little Haymaker"—Katharine Hoppe. Recitation, "Mary, Coniary and Her Carden"—Dorothy Jenkins, Mary Dunn, Dialogue, "Child Philosophy"—Grace Keys and Beatrice Brown.

Recitation, "No Time for School"—Bessie Stith. "The Miners' Song"—Miss Blair's Class. Recitation, "The Catastrophe"—Louise Tanner.

Recitation, "Whistling in Heaven"—Mary Dunn. Song by school—"Spring's Arrival."

Recitation, "Two Words"—Venla Sanderson. Recitation, "It Is Time to Quit"—Lois Moncure.

Mr. Prince Dean, of Richmond Academy, awarded a diploma to Miss Grace Crouch in a very neat speech.

Grade Graduates.

The graduates in the various grades are as follows: Senior A—Grace Crouch; Intermediate A—Lillian Withlerland; Intermediate B—Mamie Williams, Gertrude Frayser, Junior A—Hermans Simpson, Mary Grace, Lillie West, Ruth Wright, Frank Blunt.

Senior B—First honor, Warner Smith; second honor, Honor Flournoy, Lewis Stator.

Sixth Grammar—First honor, Stanley Donaldson, Emma Blount; second honor, Guy Franklin, Virginia Withlerland.

Fifth Grammar—Second honor, Hazel Crump, Virgie Crump, Katie Gunther, Leslie Tignor.

Fourth Grammar—First honor, Mabel Hargrove; second honor, James Gentry, Alma Atwell.

Promoted—Alma Childress, Marie Whitlock.

Third Grammar: First Honor—Ethel Smith, Meta Dorsch, Ethel Brown. Second Honor—Ruby Shelton, Harriette Yachroun, Ethel Jennings, Mary Dunn, Eva Vaughan, Boykin Brittle, Mable Miller, Georgia Childress, Mae Long, Minnie Littlepage, George Jones. Promoted—Inez Lucy, Bernice Hancock, Frank Robertson, Robin Frayer, Adel Corn.

Second Grammar Albie Wingfield, First Honor—Elizabeth Lipscomb, Alma Evans, Edna Keys. Second Honor—Edna Shuman, Mabel Barlow, Lucile Wright, Sterling Littlepage, Hazel Gentry, Erroll Gardner, Lillie Powell, Frank Wade, Wesley Yarbrough, Mary Valentine, Myrtle Marks, Dorsey Lindsey, Virgie Miller, Birdie Bigue, John Lindsey, Horace Bryant, Leonora Jarvis.

Promoted—Willie Ready, Ada Doggett, Harvey Armbricht, Mary Smith.

First Grammar: First Honor—Conrad Jones.

Second Honor—Eva Davis, Ruth Pettis, Eugene Will, Venla Sanderson, Grace Straubury, Louise Tanner, Aurelia Sanderson, Keith Yonce, Russell Swann, Phoebe Perkins.

Promoted—Myrtland Hancock.

Eighth Primary: First Honor—Bessie Campbell, Elizabeth Hoppe, Christie Adams, Mary Clarke, Hazel Napier, Violet Perkins.

Ninth Primary: Second Honor—Marie Livingston, Blanche Niedermeyer, Julian Barker, James Campbell, Hugh Childress, Eddie Ledley, Adeline Glonoff.

Tenth Primary: First Honor—Mary Beck, Merle Robertson, Corrol Childress, Second Honor—Lucille Atwell, Beatrice Brown, Grace Keys, Florence Davis, Irene Redford, Lillie Gunther, Forrest Street, John Stabury, Willie Hancock, Warren Page.

Promoted—Virginia Tuttwiler, Sarah Taylor, Edna Sprinkle, Gladys Reeves, Percy Apple, Melton Sanderson, Alvin Donaldson, Alfred Winston, Marie Cornelli, Burford Duke, Eugene Sterty, Arthur Yarbrough.

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The Truth about Mutual Life

THIS is a matter of great interest to the public, and of still greater interest to thousands of individuals. People with the fairest minds—and that means most people—have been disturbed and unsettled by the developments and denunciations of the past few months. What these people want is the truth—the plain unvarnished truth. To give them this truth is the object of this announcement.

The Mutual Life Insurance Company was organized in 1843, the first of its kind in America. In 24 years it had become the largest in the world. For 39 years, in spite of the keenest competition, it has held the lead, passing unharmed through panics, failures, strikes and wars; meeting with promptness its every obligation and having 460 millions of assets to-day.

The recent Insurance agitation was unique. The investigation certainly was thorough. As every one knows the Mutual Life was on the firing line. The smoke has now cleared away. What do we find?

In the first place we find that the Mutual Life is still the largest and staunchest Life Insurance Company in the world. Without defending or in the least belittling the abuses and extravagances recently brought to light, everybody should keep in mind the fact that the solvency of this Company has not for a moment been affected thereby. Concerning the work of the finance committee which has been attacked in the press, this Company's auditing committee consisting of Messrs. Truesdale, Auchincloss, Fish and Dixon stated on February 15th, 1906:

"The Committee certify that the investments of the Company are of the highest order and well selected," and "have found the valuation given safe and conservative, in many instances less than the market value and in none in excess of such value."

In the next place, extravagance has been stopped, and those responsible for it have gone; a new management has been installed, and retrenchments have been effected that have already saved vast sums of money and will save much more as time goes on. Legislative reforms have likewise been anticipated, and the Company is now as sound as the circumference as it always has been at the core.

In the next place, the ending of the first quarter presents an excellent opportunity for comparing this year with last.

The amount paid policy holders is \$9,608,436.50, an increase of \$1,070,835.26. The receipts for premiums were \$15,082,484.57, a decrease of \$857,995.29 for the period. This is a shrinkage of less than 5 1/2 per cent. The amount paid for expenses was \$2,935,552.44, a reduction of \$1,547,279.36.

This remarkable showing is a good thing to be kept in mind by everybody—those now insured in the Mutual Life, and those who should be. It cannot be accounted for by the smaller amount of new business